

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (*currently amended*) A method for minimizing scarring and/or preventing excessive scar formation at an injury site, the method comprising applying to the injury site a first aid bandaging material that has been coated, ~~irradiated~~ or impregnated with a therapeutically effective amount of a defibrinogenating agent to prevent scarring.
2. (*original*) The method of claim 1 wherein said first aid bandaging material is a bandage or gauze pad.
3. (*original*) The method of claim 1 wherein said defibrinogenating agent is chosen from the group consisting of ancrod, urokinase, streptokinase, phenobarbital and valproic acid.
- 4-14. (*cancelled*)